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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))**  
(Regular application claiming foreign priority)

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:  
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For: **IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM VIA NETWORK**

This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 from 1) Japanese Application No. 2001-034522, filed on February 9, 2001, and 2) Japanese Application No. 2001-215331, filed on July 16, 2001.

Application Elements:

- ☒ 27 Pages of Specification, Claims, and Abstract
- ☒ 03 Sheets of Drawings (formal)
- ☐ Pages of Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

Accompanying Application Parts:

- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet
- ☐ Separate Power of Attorney by Assignee
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
- ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ Small Entity Status:
- ☐ Other:

Claim For Foreign Priority

☒ Priority based on 1) Japanese Application No. 2001-034522, which was filed on February 9, 2001, and 2) Japanese Application No. 2001-215331, which was filed on July 16, 2001 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

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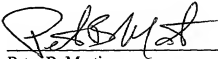
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